MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum - Rural*) : Is there any undertaking not to sell any more articles to anybody other than the agent ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : There is no undertaking like that. But the Rubber Expert received orders for the supply of certain articles before the agent was appointed. Those orders have not yet been executed in full.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum—Rural*) : Am I to understand that articles can be sold to persons other than the agents ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : The sales made to others were made before the agent was appointed.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*) : May I know the value of the articles that have to be supplied to the agent ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) : May I know whether Government have any proposal for dumping these articles on the Indian market with a view to capture the market ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : There is no question of dumping. Government have appointed an agent and he will sell the articles.

SADASYA TILAKAN T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Urban*) : May I know the qualification of the person in charge of the Rubber Factory?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : None. He is an Engineer and Rubber Expert.

SADASYA TILAKAN T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Urban*) : Has he got any experience on commercial questions ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

Issue of G. permits to motor vehicles.

131. *MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the policy under which G. permits are issued to bus-owners ; and

(*b*) whether certain Motor Unions or bus-owners are allowed to monopolise certain routes ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : (*a*) No defined policy.

(*b*) No.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : May I know the basis on which G Permits are issued ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : It is on the economic principle of demand and supply.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : May I know whether G Permits are generally issued when demands are made by public ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : Yes.

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MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): May I know the ground on which the authorities object to the issue in certain cases ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : When the demand is satisfied, further supply is refused.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : Whose demand ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : The demands of the public and the passengers.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : May I know whether the authority takes into consideration public representations regarding the issue of permits ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : Not public representation. The Commissioner takes into consideration the number of buses that are required in a particular route after determining that number by experimenting for some time. No permits will be issued beyond that number,

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : May I know whether any maximum number is fixed for a particular route ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : The maximum number is what is required to meet the public demand.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : May I know who fixes the maximum number.

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : The authorities try to understand the position from the experience of the bus-owners running on the route.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : How can the authorities understand the demand for a particular route unless they take into consideration the representations made by the public ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : After trial for a couple of months, the authorities can arrive at a reasonable conclusion about the number of buses that will be required on a particular route.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : May I know who reports about the amount of traffic on a particular route ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : The Traffic Inspectors and the bus owners. These are the two sources from which I get the information,

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : May I know whether the Traffic Inspector makes report regarding the amount of traffic on a particular road ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : Yes.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*) : May I know whether overloading in existing buses is a factor taken into consideration in issuing permits to more buses ?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*) : That is not an indication for running more buses.

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MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): If the Traffic Department comes to know that there is regular overloading in a particular route, may I know whether they will take into consideration that fact in issuing permits?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): There are no such cases so far.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): May I know whether the Changanacherry-Mundakayam road is monopolised by an individual bus-owner?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): No.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Thiruvalla I*): How many buses are running between those places?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): I claim notice.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) May I know under whose control these Traffic Inspectors are working?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): Under the Traffic Superintendent.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether the Banking Enquiry Committee have made any recommendations in regard to this?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): Yes.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know the nature of such recommendations?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): The report was published in the *Gazette*.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether the Traffic Superintendent had published the views of the Government on that matter?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): No. His opinion was called for and he made his observations on the report of the Banking Enquiry Committee.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether there was any Gazette notification with regard to the recommendations made by the Banking Enquiry Committee?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): I am not aware.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether there was a notification dated the 20th February 1933?

PRESIDENT: You are supplying information.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether Government have taken any action on the recommendations made by the Banking Enquiry Committee with regard to this particular matter?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): Government considered the question of constituting a Traffic Board, and decided that the question may lie over for the present.

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MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether in the grant of G permits the consideration of patronage of the bus owners or the consideration of convenience of travelling public, which consideration weighs more?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): Public interests.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether Government are aware that almost all the bus routes in South Travancore are monopolised by one firm?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): No, Sir.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Who is the authority competent to issue G permits?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): The Traffic Superintendent.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Is he given full freedom by the Commissioner in the matter?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): He is free except in certain cases when the Commissioner of Police exercises control and issues instructions.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Was not the Police Commissioner given some time back exclusive authority to issue G permits?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): No. After the appointment of the Traffic Superintendent, the Commissioner has delegated some of his powers.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether the Trivandrum-Nagercoil bus route has not the heaviest traffic in the Madras Presidency?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): There are other routes equally heavy.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether the Pioneer Motor Service is allowed to run their buses for one and a half days while the other services are allowed to run only for half a day?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): Yes.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know the number of buses fixed to be run on the line.

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): Fifty.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether the omission to run this number will entail the cancellation of the G. permit?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): That is left to the discretion of the Traffic Department. If there is any omission or misconduct, the G permit will be cancelled.

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MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Are there not complaints to the effect that, because the buses are not running at the stipulated time, the G permits should be cancelled and given to other Companies?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): There were complaints and they were enquired into. The allegations were found false.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Are there cases in which the G permits of the Triumph Syndicate were cancelled because they did not run at the stipulated time?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): No, Sir.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Is there not an appeal pending with Government even now?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): No, Sir.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Am I to understand that no appeal against the orders of the Commissioner is now pending with Government?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): No, Sir.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know from the member whether there were not appeals before Government regarding G permits?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): They were all disposed of.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether those cases were remanded to the Police Commissioner for disposal?

MR. R. PITCHU AIYANGAR (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): All that I can now say is, they were all disposed of.

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